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TO AMEMBASSY VIENNA

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SUBJECT: OPRED - PROPOSED INCREASE IN DEA STAFFING FOR FY 75

1. RECENT CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE PROMPTED THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION (DEA) TO REVISE THE OVERSEAS STAFFING PLAN IT HAD PREVIOUSLY DEVELOPED FOR FY 1975. THIS REVISION CONTAINS THE BELOW PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT FOR THE VIENNA OFFICE:

--AN INCREASE OF ONE SPECIAL AGENT POSITION. APPROVAL OF THE ADDITIONAL POSITION WOULD RAISE THE DEA AUTHORIZED AMERICAN COMPLEMENT IN AUSTRIA TO THREE (2 AGENTS, 1 CLERK).

2. FOLLOWING JUSTIFICATION ACCOMPANIES THE DEA REQUEST FOR THE ADDITIONAL POSITION. QUOTE:

DEA REQUIRES THAT AT LEAST TWO SPECIAL AGENTS BE ASSIGNED TO AN OFFICE IN ORDER TO INSURE PROPER COVERAGE AND LIAISON  
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DURING PERIODS WHEN ONE AGENT IS ADMINISTRATIVELY OR OPER-

ATIONALLY ABSENT. DEA HAS NOTED AN INCREASED ACTIVITY IN THAT, AUSTRIA IS BEING UTILIZED AS A TRANSIT COUNTRY FOR ASIAN HEROIN (SEIZURE OF 20 KILOGRAMS ON JANUARY 11), AS

WELL AS HASHISH AND HASHISH OIL (SEIZURE OF 13.2 KILOGRAMS HASHISH OIL ON JANUARY 16). IN ADDITION, WITH THE LIFTING OF THE TURKISH OPIUM BAN, THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT AUSTRIA'S IMPORTANCE AS A CONDUIT FOR MORPHINE BASE WILL RETURN TO THE LEVEL OF THE LATE SIXTIES AND EARLY SEVENTIES.

THE GOA IS CURRENTLY ESTABLISHING A CENTRAL NARCOTIC UNIT WHICH WILL RESULT IN AN INCREASED STAFF OF INVESTIGATORS, THUS HOPEFULLY PROVIDING A MORE UNIFIED DIRECTION AND EFFICIENCY.

IN ADDITION, THE DEA VIENNA OFFICE HAS THE DESIGNATED LIAISON RESPONSIBILITY WITH NARCOTIC LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS IN HUNGARY, BULGARIA, YUGOSLAVIA AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA. A SECOND AGENT WILL PERMIT DEA TO MAINTAIN CONTINUITY AND DEVELOP AN INCREASED LIAISON WITH OFFICIALS IN THOSE COUNTRIES. END QUOTE.

3. ACTION REQUESTED. WOULD APPRECIATE COM COMMENTS ON DEA PROPOSAL, INCLUDING ANY IMPACT ON MISSION'S ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT CAPABILITIES AND ANTICIPATED REACTION OF HOST GOVERNMENT. KISSINGER

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